

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2639 - SB 2874

June 10, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Establishes the Tennessee Equine Health Advisory Commission (Commission) for the purpose of studying and making recommendations related to equine health, thereby promoting the health of horses in this state and encouraging agriculture and the breeding of equine livestock in this state.

The Commission shall be comprised of nine members, and shall meet at least once per year. Commission members shall serve without compensation and are not eligible for travel reimbursement. Such Commission is attached the Department of Agriculture (DOA) of administrative purposes.

The Commission must study various issues related to equine health and provide an annual report to various officials and legislative committees, beginning on or before February 1, 2021, and no later than February 1 thereafter.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (018217, 018473): Amendment 018217 deletes and replaces language in the original bill to change the date by which members must be appointed to the Commission.

Amendment 018473 deletes and replaces language in the original bill such that no substantive changes are made to the legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Any additional administrative duties required of the DOA to aid the Commission will have no significant impact on the Department.

- Legislative members will not serve on the Commission. Members shall serve without compensation and will not receive travel reimbursement for service to the Commission; therefore, this legislation is estimated to have no significant fiscal impact.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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